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1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES EMBASSY'S INTEREST IN MAKING USE OF REFTEL A AS PART OF OVERALL POLICY SUPPORTING CLOSER SPANISH TIES TO THE EUROPEAN ALLIANCE AND ATLANTIC COMMUNITY HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS NEITHER NECESSARY NOR APPROPRIATE TO PROVIDE A NON-EC-9 MEMBER WITH THE DEPTH OF INFORMATION CONCERNING OUR VIEWS ON SOUTHERN AFRICA CONTAINED IN OUR EC-9 BRIEFING PAPER (REFTEL A).

2. POST WILL APPRECIATE THAT SOME OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFTEL A WAS OBTAINED TRHOUGH THE BRITISH WHO PASSED IT TO US ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS AND WILL, AS EC-9 PRESIDENT, HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO VET IT BEFORE GIVING IT TO THE OTHER EC MEMBERS AND FROM OTHER
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SENSITIVE CHANNELS. CONSEQUENTLY, DEPARTMENT ADVISES THAT EMBASSY MIGHT USE PAPER AS SOURCE FROM WHICH TO GIVE AN ORAL BRIEFING AT THE MFA LEVEL SUGGESTED. SPECIFICALLY, IN TALKING ABOUT RHODESIA IT WOULD BE BEST NOT TO DISCUSS

IN DETAIL THE POSITION OF SMITH AND THE AFRICANS IN GENEVA OR WHAT WE BELIEVE SMITH'S INTENTIONS TO BE. IN REGARD

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TO NAMIBIA, THE DISCUSSION OF A POSSIBLE FRAMEWORK FOR A NAMBIAN SETTLEMENT SHOULD NOT GO BEYOND THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE FIRST TWO PARAGRAPHS. THE ACTIVITIES AND INTENTIONS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT IN RELATION TO NAMIBIA SHOULD BE DEALT WITH ONLY IN THE MOST GENERAL MANNER.
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